

Council Minutes

March 6, 2017

A duly warned meeting of the Newport City Council was held on Monday, March 6, 2017 in the council room in the Newport Municipal Building. Present were Mayor Paul Monette, Council President Neil Morrissette, Aldermen Jacques Roberge, John Wilson, Steve Vincent, City Clerk/Treasurer James D. Johnson, Tom Bernier for the City Manager, Jamie LeClair and Sam Carlson. City Manager Laura Dolgin was absent.

Informational Meeting on Articles to be Voted by Australian Ballot

Comments and questions on the proposed budget and articles were taken from the public.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Morrissette moved to table the approval of the minutes of February 27, 2017 until next meeting. Seconded by Mr. Roberge, motion carried unanimously.

Comments by members of the Public

Ann Chiarello hoped that the city police weren't picking up immigrants coming in from Canada.

GreenLantern Solar Net Metering Proposal (attached)

Sam Carlson gave a presentation asking the city to purchase 700,000 kwh of solar net metering credits which would save the City approximately \$11,843 per year on its electricity expenses. The agreement will be reviewed by the City Attorney. Mr. Vincent moved to table the proposed agreement pending review by the City attorney. Seconded by Mr. Roberge, motion carried unanimously.

Land Purchase Recommendation (attached)

Mr. Vincent moved to purchase the land for \$6,000 plus closing cost, being divided equally between the General Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund. Seconded by Mr. Morrissette, motion carried unanimously.

New Business

None

Old Business

Mr. Johnson had the council sign the loan documents for the new Fire Dept. vehicle.

Next Meeting Dates

Annual Meeting March 7, 2017, Council Meeting March 20, 2017 at 6:30 PM, Centennial Meeting March 20, 2017 at 5:00 PM.

Adjournment

Mr. Roberge moved to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, motion carried unanimously

Attested James Johnson This 20th Day of March, 2017



Mayor